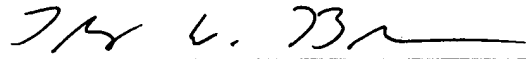


**REMARKS**

Claims 1 and 2 (Group I) have been withdrawn as these claims were previously allowed in application Serial No. 10/281,563. Claim 3 (Group II) is pending in the instant application. Claim 4 (Group III) has been withdrawn without prejudice to prosecuting this same (or similar) claim in another application.

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